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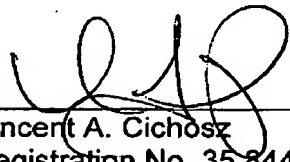
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Applicants hereby provide amendments to the specification and claims as reflected in this submission, preliminary to any substantive examination of this subject application. The amendments to the specification make certain changes to names of coupling constraint equation variables found in paragraph [0059]. These changes correct obvious clerical errors in the names assigned to the coupling constraint equation variables as would be recognized by one having ordinary skill in the art, particularly when the subject equation variables are read together with the remaining portion of paragraph [0059] and the specification. No new matter is added by these changes.

Applicants have also provided new claim 21 and request its entry for examination together with all claims 1-20 which remain as originally filed.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the contents of the present submission, Applicants' attorney may be contacted at the phone number appearing below.

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